

This is written in comment on the petition RM-10784 filed by Mr. Ward.

I currently hold an Amateur Extra class license issued by the F.C.C. with the callsign K9DI.

I cannot agree with Mr. Ward in his request to totally remove the requirement of passing Examination element 1 for any class of license. However, I could support the removal of the element 1 requirement for a Technician class license holder to get on HF with the proviso that those HF privileges are the same HF privileges currently granted to the Novice/Technician (with Morse endorsement) on the 80, 40, 15, and 10 meter Amateur bands.

In closing, element 1 is not a “filter” or a “gate-keeper” for our hobby/service, but is a valuable tool that teaches those that have passed element 1 the self-discipline to learn a new skill.

Sincerely and Respectfully Yours

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